

BROOKLYN NEWS.

CAPTURED AN ACTOR.

Scott, of "The South Before the War," a Small-pox Suspect.

May Have to Fumigate a Brooklyn Theatre.

Taken Away from a Theatrical Boarding-House.

Rufus L. Scott, a young negro, who sings in a quartet in "The South Before the War," now being played at the Star Theatre, in Brooklyn, was quarantined this morning in Mme. Lord's theatrical boarding-house, at 29 Willoughby street, as a small-pox suspect.

The first intimation of the case reached the Health Department in a special letter received shortly after midnight from the Health Department of Baltimore, where the company played recently. The communication was opened by Chief Clerk O'Shea, of the Bureau of Contagious Diseases, and read thus:

"Mr. O'Shea immediately started out to find the patient. After considerable search he located him at 29 Willoughby street. On entering the house he was told that Scott was not there. O'Shea then questioned the man who opened the door, but he declared that he knew nothing of the case. O'Shea called on Mme. Lord, and she admitted that several members of the company were in the house and that Scott was among them. She led the health officer to the parlor floor where Scott was concealed. Scott denied that he had the disease. His face was covered with eruptions, which had partially dried, and his hands had the same appearance. He declared that the marks were the result of a serious skin disease.

He afterwards pretended that he had had "red" measles. Three doctors who accompanied O'Shea examined the patient, and were unable to determine whether the marks were those of small-pox or not. Scott's description of the symptoms of his sickness were those of small-pox.

The house was quarantined, and Scott will be taken to the Flatbush Hospital for observation. At the Star Theatre this morning it was admitted that Scott had been on the stage last night, but he did not appear in the performance. Chief Clerk O'Shea said this morning that he was not certain that Scott had the disease. He may have had it and fully recovered. At the same time there was no danger. Scott had time appearance of having fully recovered. The patient was removed from the theatre to-night to be vaccinated all the members of the company. Whether the theatre would be fumigated he could not say. Mr. O'Shea thought the patient may have had small-pox. He did not travel with the company and did not arrive in Brooklyn until Tuesday night. There was no reason to expect an outbreak of disease among other people connected with the show.

LOHMANN PLEADS GUILTY.

Admits Two Thefts of \$100 Each, but Denies a Third.

Ex-Excise Cashier Remanded Until Tuesday for Sentence.

William D. Lohmann, defaulting cashier of the Brooklyn Excise Department, who was brought back from Canada a week ago, pleaded guilty this morning in the Kings County Court of Sessions to two indictments, charging him with grand larceny.

To a third indictment for the same offense he answered "not guilty." The crimes which he acknowledged he had committed were that on Jan. 4 last he had received \$100 from John Brothers, saloon-keepers, in payment for a first-class license, and had failed to turn over the money to the city, and embezzling \$100 paid by a saloon-keeper named Seigelman for the same purpose on Jan. 16.

The indictment to which he pleaded not guilty charged him with retaining a similar amount paid by Gustave Spier on Oct. 21, 1893. The lawyer attempted to make a fervent plea in mitigation of the sentence, and told him he had better wait until Tuesday next, when a prisoner would be called up for sentence.

CLEVER CONFIDENCE TRICK.

A Grocer Robbed by a Man He Thought a Schoolmate.

John Heinichaus, a well-to-do grocer, at 4 Gold street, asked the Brooklyn police to-day to look out for an unknown man who succeeded in stealing \$100 from him.

The man represented himself as Herman Boite, of the ship of the ship, and he was in the Erie Basin, and ordered \$500 worth of provisions for the ship. Boite, said he came to Heinichaus's place because they were both born in the same town in Germany, and finally convinced the grocer that they had been schoolmates together. Heinichaus thought he remembered Boite, and invited him up stairs to dine. While in Heinichaus's parlour the man opened a trunk and stole the money.

WARRANT REFUSED.

Application was made in the Gates Avenue Police Court, Brooklyn, to-day, for a warrant for the arrest of Dr. Henry L. Schilling, of Stuyvesant and Broadway avenues. Dr. Schilling is one of the vaccinators employed by the Board of Health. On April 26 he took part in a vaccination raid and inoculated Emil Schaefer, of Stuyvesant street. Schaefer was suffering at the time from a tumor on the arm. He claims that representation was made to Dr. Schilling of this fact, and that he was not allowed to insist on completing the vaccination. Since then Schaefer's condition has been precarious, due, according to him, to the family physician, to the vaccination. The family are endeavoring to hold Dr. Schilling responsible for the injury, and are endeavoring to issue the warrant.

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SAYS HIS MOTHER WAS BEATEN.

McCarthy Thinks She Was Clubbed to Death in a Hospital.

May Make Charges Against the Kings County Institution.

David F. McCarthy, a sugar sampler for commission merchants, who lives at 2 Atlantic avenue, Brooklyn, makes grave charges against the Kings County Hospital at Flatbush, in connection with the death of his mother, Margaret McCarthy, which occurred there April 29 last.

McCarthy says that he has reason to believe that his mother was clubbed to death. "I took her to the hospital on April 5," he says, "and when I called to see her on the two subsequent Sundays I was denied admission. The reason assigned for this was that the patients were quarantined on account of small-pox. Other visitors, however, were admitted, and I learned that the quarantine rule was never enforced in the case of relatives. But for some reason which I could not understand at the time, but which now seems clear enough, they would not permit me to see her. I was not allowed to see her until the day before. To my surprise, when I again called at the hospital, I was not allowed to see my mother's body. Dr. John A. Arnold, the medical superintendent of the hospital, told me that the rule prescribed that nobody should see the dead until the undertaker had prepared them for burial."

"But she was my mother!" I exclaimed, and I know that this rule, like the one relating to the quarantine, is not always enforced. You certainly won't enforce it in the case of a man who comes to see the dead body of his mother?" "Well, I can't allow you to see it," replied Dr. Arnold. McCarthy stated:

"I returned later that same day with eight friends and undertaker Matthews, of Hamilton avenue and Coles street. The body had by that time been prepared, and my companions and I were permitted to gaze upon its face. 'What I saw struck me speechless. The left eye was swollen and swollen, and looked as if the jaw-bone had been broken, and over it there was a general expression of agony. My friends and I could draw only one conclusion from all this, namely, that my mother had been beaten to death in the hospital.'"

When "The Evening World" reporter called at the hospital yesterday, Supt. Arnold was not in. The physician in charge, however, said that Mrs. McCarthy was insane when taken to the hospital. She and her daughter were brought here together, he said. "The daughter was removed to the insane asylum at Hamilton avenue and Coles street, and the mother was kept at the insane reception ward for observation. Her mind was wandering, and she was in a rambling, incoherent way. Sometimes she grew violent. During such a fit, she would jump from her bed and fall face downward to the floor. In falling she struck her head against a chair that stood beside her bed. My attention was called to this the day after it happened. As far as I could judge the blow on the eye did not amount to much."

When told what the physician in charge had said, McCarthy exclaimed: "Why my mother lost her only daughter thirty years ago. And for my mother's insanity, there is no truth in it. She was perfectly sane when she entered the hospital, nor had she at any time shown signs of insanity."

The doctor in charge here yesterday, said the report that McCarthy's daughter was brought here with her mother, that they were both detained, that the daughter was sent to the insane asylum and Mrs. McCarthy detained in the insane reception ward for observation, and that while there she jumped from her bed and, in that way, injured her eye. McCarthy replied Dr. Arnold:

"But McCarthy says that his mother hadn't had a daughter living for the last thirty years," quipped the reporter. "Oh, yes," said Dr. Arnold. "I forgot to say that the doctor who spoke to you yesterday got Mrs. McCarthy mixed up with another woman. As for the insanity part and her having hurt her eye by jumping from her bed, these are perfectly correct."

"The whole affair," he added, "is really absurd. If any brutality had occurred here, it would have been an outsider to make complaint. I would be the first to lift the matter in order to get at the truth and punish the offender. The woman's eye was only a little discolored from the fall, and her mouth was swollen, and that was a natural result of the rigidity of death. Our nurses have been with us for years and have in handling themselves not only efficient, but courteous. It all amounts to a temper in a report. I have no objection to an investigation, because I deem the whole affair too trifling."

At the office of the Commissioner of Charities and Correction, Chief Clerk Joseph Short, Jr., said that no complaint had been received from McCarthy. He expressed his conviction that Dr. Arnold was too strict a disciplinarian to permit any act of brutality on the part of his subordinates to go unpunished. McCarthy says he is going to try to have the body of his mother examined, and if it is found that his suspicions are justified, he says he will lay the matter before the District Attorney.

FOUGHT THE JANITOR.

Driver Manning Runs Amuck in a Williamsburg Flat-House.

Thomas Manning, a driver of a coal wagon, was arraigned in the Lee Avenue Court, Williamsburg, to-day on charges of intoxication and assault, and sent to jail for ten days on each charge.

Last evening Manning visited the flats at Bedford avenue and Rodney street, and wandered inside 514, as he afterwards explained, for the purpose of seeing his girl.

On the third-floor landing he met the janitor, William Copeland, who stared at Manning's grimy face for a moment, and then asked when he wanted to see him. "None of your business," replied Manning, promptly.

"None of your business," replied Manning, promptly. "I am a free-born American citizen, and have a right to refuse to take to you."

The two men got together, and fought all the way down two flights of stairs and out into the street. The flats were the most aristocratic of their kind in Williamsburg, and the fight created a great deal of excitement.

The janitor and the driver finally appeared on the front stoop, and then they rolled down the steps to the sidewalk. By this time the stair were pretty thoroughly blocked, and one of the members of the Hanover club, which is just across the way, telephoned to Police Headquarters that murder was being committed.

The janitor and the driver were sent to the scene, and Policemen Daniels took a hand in the fight, with the result that Manning was finally subdued and taken to a cell for the night.

M'LAUGHLIN BLAMED.

Brooklyn Police Criticize the Inspector's Drilling Methods.

Navy-Yard Parade Ground Prolific of Heat Prostrations.

A Sergeant and a Patrolman Overcome There Yesterday.

Police captains, sergeants and patrolmen were about the Brooklyn Headquarters this morning, expressing their dissatisfaction over the alleged lack of judgment displayed by Inspector Patrick H. McLaughlin in drilling the force for the police parade, which is to take place, May 26.

The Inspector, the men say, does not seem to grasp the limit of their endurance in drilling, because while they are maneuvering on foot, he sits astride a fine horse giving orders. As a result, it is said, two of the men drilling in yesterday's platoon are on the sick list to-day.

The dissatisfaction among the captains and their men began to assert itself when Inspector McLaughlin selected the parade ground at the Marine Barracks in the Navy-Yard for the drills. "This ground the men say, with out exaggeration, is the hottest location in Brooklyn, and a poorer place for drilling purposes could not have been selected."

The barracks surround the ground, so that little or no breeze is felt, and it is exposed to the sun for the greater part of the day. During the drill yesterday, it is said, the thermometer on the grounds registered 85 degrees.

Inspector McLaughlin kept 600 men drilling continuously for several hours, and before the drill was half over the men began to show signs of fatigue. Patrolman Osterly, of the Stagg street station, finally appealed to Capt. Ennis to ask the Inspector to allow the men to rest.

"We can't stand this work much longer," said the patrolman. "I feel sick already," he continued.

Capt. Ennis was nearly worn out himself, excused Patrolman Osterly. The sick policeman left the ranks. He had hardly reached a shady spot for rest when he fainted. He was revived and sent home with another patrolman, who also complained of feeling ill.

A short time after Osterly had been taken home, Sergt. Stacion, of the Atlantic avenue station, dropped in the ranks. He was picked up in an unconscious condition and subsequently removed to the home in a cab.

A physician, who was called from the barracks of the Navy-Yard, after examining Sergt. Stacion, said he thought he was suffering from a slight sunstroke.

Five hundred policemen in another battalion will be drilled to-day at the same place by Inspector McLaughlin. The captains of the Second Battalion were viewing the mercury in the thermometers at headquarters this morning with considerable anxiety.

BURGLARS WITH A LADDER.

They Entered the Open Window of a Brooklyn House.

Many Robberies Perpetrated During the Night.

A number of burglaries were committed in Brooklyn during last night, and in every case the perpetrators managed to escape with their plunder. Some time after midnight burglars entered the home of William H. Bennett, at 58 Elton street. They secured \$13 in cash belonging to H. J. Bezer, a boarder, and \$6 and a fine clock, valued at \$25, belonging to Mr. Bennett.

The same burglars then visited the home of George Hill, at 68 Elton street, two doors above Mr. Bennett's house. They effected an entrance by means of a ladder, which they raised to an open second-story window. They stole a diamond ring and a gold watch valued at \$35.

By means of false keys some unknown persons entered the flat-house at 712 Gates avenue and stole a quantity of clothing and jewelry valued at \$60. A jewelry store, owned by Albert Halstead, at 79 Hancock street, during his absence escaped with clothing and jewelry valued at \$100. A jewelry thief also entered Louis Reiss's flat, at 23 Second avenue, and stole clothing valued at \$35.

The police this morning arrested Adolph Lezorak. He is believed to be a boarder who has been operating in Brooklyn for the past year. Lezorak is charged by Kate Buchmiller, of 96 Hunsicker street, with the theft of \$50, which she says he stole from her apartments while he was a boarder in the house.

Fred Gress, another boarder, also charges Lezorak with stealing his gold watch. The pawn ticket for Gress's watch was found on the prisoner.

KEENEY MUST STAND FIRE.

His Demerger to Indictments Overruled by Judge Moore.

The Grand Jury of Kings County did not find any additional indictments against President Seth L. Keeney and other directors of the defunct Commercial Bank. Some time ago Keeney demurred to the indictments already presented to court.

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